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21 December 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Security Analysis Group

FROM : John S. Hunt

SUBJECT : Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.
Department of Justice Request

1. Reference is made to our 21 October 1976 (OS 64363/A) response to a Department of Justice request which forwarded to the General Counsel copies of numerous Office of Security documents which the Department of Justice had asked to review.

2. On 17 December 1976 five Department of Justice attorneys, headed by Mr. Frederick G. Folsom, met with the undersigned and Mr. George Jameson of the Office of General Counsel to review the referenced material. Mr. Maurice Sovern of the Special Assistant/DDO's Office was also present to make certain Directorate of Operations documents available for review.

3. Mr. Folsom and his associates reviewed all of the Office of Security documents and in general commented that they had not discovered any new or startling information, and in fact Mr. Folsom stated "there are no smoking guns in your [CIA's] files." Mr. Folsom also stated that he does not intend to request any copies of Agency documents, although he did not preclude such a possibility in the future and asked that the documents be maintained by the Office of General Counsel pending completion of the Department of Justice's inquiry.

4. Mr. Jameson will advise the undersigned should he receive any additional requests from the Department of Justice in this regard.

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